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Senator Carpenter Announces the Acceptance of Local Student to the 2017 Senate Scholar Program

Madison – Today State Senator Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) announced that his constituent, Berenice Aviles, has been chosen to participate in the 2017 Senate Scholar Program. High school juniors and seniors from around the State of Wisconsin will be participating in a week-long, intensive program at the State Capitol in March or April.

The Senate Scholar Program's curriculum is two-fold. First the students are introduced to many facets of the legislative process. They meet with legislative support agencies, legislative staff, the Governor's staff, a Supreme Court Justice, the media, lobbyists and University of Wisconsin-Madison faculty members.

The students then put their knowledge into action. When the Senate is on the floor, Scholars staff the session under the direction of the Senate Sergeant at Arms' office. The week's events culminate in a Senate Scholar committee hearing on a bill that the students have drafted.

"I was interested in politics and government service from a young age, and I hope experiences like the Senate Scholar Program will inspire a new generation about public service. I'm excited for Berenice Aviles, and hope she has a great educational experience," said Carpenter.

Senator Carpenter encourages high school students in his district to learn about and apply for the Senate Scholar Program at

http://legis.wisconsin.gov/ssgt/senatescholar/press-releases/how-to-apply/

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